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Preface

It gives us great pleasure to release this volume containing discussions, moderators reports and state-of-the-art reports* not already included in the first two volumes. It was agreed during the moderators meeting in St. Louis, Missouri, that if a moderator feels that his report will not make a significant contribution, he may not submit one for publication. Therefore, in some sessions, the moderator's reports have not been included. Many a time, the authors did not send replies to discussion on their papers. This may be due to the fact that the discussion was more in the form of comments and additional information, with which the author perhaps agrees.

In the end, I take this opportunity to thank members of all the committees who contributed a great deal in making the Conference in St. Louis, Missouri, and the post-Conference tour in Rolla, Missouri, a great success.

Shamsher Prakash
Editor and Conference Chairman

Jan. 3, 1982

*One report was not received and hence could not be printed.